



INSERTIONS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0069] on page 23 with the following paragraph:

--[0069] Chromosomal DNA from *Corynebacterium glutamicum* ATCC 13032 was isolated as described in Tauch et al., (1995, Plasmid 33:168-179) I.B.R. A DNA fragment bearing the *cdsA* gene was amplified with the assistance of the polymerase chain reaction. The following primers were used for this purpose:

(SEQ ID NO: 3) 5'-CGC GGA TCC GTG GCC CAA GCT TTA CGA CGG ATA C-3'

(SEQ ID NO: 4) 5'-CGC GGA TCC GGC TCG CAA GGA AAA GGA ACT GAT-3'

Both oligonucleotides bear the sequence for the cleavage site of the restriction enzyme BamHI (underlined nucleotides). The stated primers were synthesized by the company MWG Biotech (Ebersberg, Germany) and the PCR reaction was thus performed in accordance with the standard PCR method of Innis et al., (PCR protocol. A guide to methods and applications, 1990, Academic Press I.B.R.). The primers allow the 1095 bp DNA fragment which bears the *cdsA* gene from *Corynebacterium glutamicum* to be amplified.--